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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT : Request for Document for General de Gaulle

REFERENCE : Memorandum for DCI, dated 12 September 1957
Subject: Request for Letter Written by
President Eisenhower

1. This memorandum contains a request submitted for DCI approval. Such request is contained in paragraph three.

2. Through his Aide, Colonel de Bonneval, on 11 December 1957, General de Gaulle requested [redacted] to try to obtain a letter written by General de Gaulle. The letter was written to General Eisenhower on 6 September 1944. Unfortunately, General de Gaulle no longer has a copy.

3. It is requested that you approve an informal request to the White House through Brigadier General Goodpaster for the letter in question. It is felt that this rather than a formal request is an easier way of obtaining the document. As was stated in reference, we continue to feel that it is important to furnish General de Gaulle with the documents he requests in order to maintain the present excellent relationship between him and this Agency. As you are aware, General de Gaulle much appreciated our role in fulfilling his previous request.

[redacted]

Chief, WE

The request in paragraph three is approved.

Director

Date

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Chief, WE

[Redacted Box]

Request for Documents

REF

: A)
B)

[Redacted Box]

1. Reference A concerns a request for a certain letter written in September 1944 to General de GAULLE by the then General EISENHOWER. This request was for background material for General de GAULLE's third volume of his "Memoires de Guerre".

2. Reference B contained, as an attachment, the requested letter from President EISENHOWER to be given to General de GAULLE.

3. The above mentioned letter referred to another letter dated 6 September 1944, written by General de GAULLE to General EISENHOWER. Unfortunately General de GAULLE does not have a copy of this letter. As a matter of fact - as explained in Colonel de BONNEVAL's letter (u.s.c.) - most of General de GAULLE's wartime correspondence has been lost in the various French Ministries.

4. It would therefore be greatly appreciated if the President would once again authorize that a copy of the requested letter be forwarded via this channel to General de GAULLE.

5. Under separate cover is a letter from Colonel de BONNEVAL to [Redacted Box] requesting the above mentioned letter and explaining the difficulties General de GAULLE is having in assembling his wartime correspondence for his "Memoires de Guerre".

Separate Cover Attachment : copy of Colonel de BONNEVAL's letter to [Redacted Box]

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Attn

Chief, WE

General de Gaulle
Transmittal of Requested Document

Reference

dated 8 August 1957

Action Required: Delivery of Document

1. Attached hereto is the letter which requested in referenced dispatch.

2. This should be a good opportunity for to call on the General personally to deliver this document.

Attachments:

#1. Letter to General

#2. (U. S. C.)

9 October 1957

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Dear Jim:

After some searching the President managed to locate in his files a copy of the letter to which the General presumably refers. It is dated 13 September 1944 and is the only letter in the President's files on the subject of "Operations" around that particular date.

I am enclosing a photo-copy of this letter along with a copy of the cover note which Andy Goodpaster sent in transmitting it. Andy tells me that there is no objection to publication of this letter if, in fact, that's what the General has in mind. As you can see, the letter bears a stamp saying that it has been regraded unclassified. I hope that this will prove helpful to the General and that it is, in fact, the particular piece of correspondence he is seeking.

Best wishes.

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles

Att. (2)

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MEMORANDUM FOR : Brigadier General Andrew J. Goodquarter
Staff Secretary
The White House

SUBJECT : Request For Letter Written by
President Eisenhower

General Charles de Gaulle is presently preparing the third
volume of his memoirs.

Through [] the Agency has, from time to time, filled
requests from the General for various books and publications
dealing with U. S. affairs in order to maintain the relationship
established between [] and the General.

On 6 August 1957 General de Gaulle requested [] to help
him find a certain letter supposedly written by the President to
the General on 10 September 1944 on the subject of "Questions."
This letter is to be used as background information by the General
in preparing his memoirs. The General has told [] that he
believes this letter may be part of the President's Records.

Assuming a copy of this letter can be located I would appreciate
it if you would check with the President as to its availability,
bearing in mind that it will doubtless be published. If the
President can see his way clear to making this letter available
to General de Gaulle, I believe it would be useful to have []
who is known to the President, present it to the General on the
President's behalf.

Signed

O/DCI, [] 16 Sept 57

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MARK S. HULLIS
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
THROUGH : Deputy Director (Plans)
SUBJECT : Request for Letter Written by
President Eisenhower

1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the DCI. Such request for action is contained in paragraph three.

2. On 6 August 1957 General Charles de Gaulle requested that [] of this Agency assist him in locating a letter written to the General by President Eisenhower in September, 1944. WE Division believes that it would be advantageous to furnish General de Gaulle with a copy of this letter in order to maintain the relationship already established with him.

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3. WE Division, therefore, submits the attached letter to President Eisenhower presenting General de Gaulle's request for your signature.

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Chief, WE

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Concur:

(Signed) FRANK G. WISNER
Deputy Director (Plans)

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Date

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The action requested in paragraph three is approved:

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Ltr signed by DCI constitutes approval

Director

Date

10 Sept. 1957

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Chief, WE

[REDACTED]

General de Gaulle

Request for documents

General de Gaulle is at present writing the third volume of his memoirs. On 6 August 1957 he requested [REDACTED] to assist him in his search for a certain letter written to him on 10 September 1944 by the then General Eisenhower. This letter, the subject of which was "operations", was answered by de Gaulle on 21 September 1944. It is hereby respectfully requested that President Eisenhower authorize a search of his war document files and that, if found, a copy of the 10 September 1944 Eisenhower letter be forwarded to de Gaulle [REDACTED]

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6 August 1957

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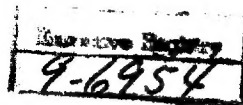
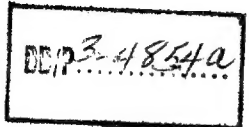
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request search be initiated
in President's files. 19 Aug
etc*

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

General Charles de Gaulle is presently preparing the third volume of his memoirs.

[Redacted]

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Through [Redacted] the Agency has, from time to time, filled requests from the General for various books and publications dealing with U. S. affairs in order to maintain the relationship established between [Redacted] and the General.

On 6 August 1957 General de Gaulle requested [Redacted] to help him find a certain letter supposedly written by you to the General on 10 September 1944 on the subject of "Operations. This letter is to be used as background information by the General in preparing his memoirs. The General has told [Redacted] that he believes this letter may be part of your own records.

Should a member of your Staff be able to locate the letter, I believe it would be useful to have [Redacted] present it to General de Gaulle on your behalf.

I thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

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- 1 - DCI
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Respectfully yours,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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